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SUBJECT: Miss F. Catherine Rigsbee

TO: Chief, SI, Office of Strategic Services, Washington, D. C.  
Attention: Ensign W. Lowrie Campbell

1. As you probably know, Miss Catherine Rigsbee has been desirous of obtaining an assignment in the Far East after the work in this theater was concluded. There had been some previous correspondence on the subject, in which it appeared that favorable consideration was being given to her request, but in the Field Bulletin of 1 May 1945 there was a paragraph which stated that "for the time being" no girls were being recruited or processed for that area.

2. Miss Rigsbee has been serving as secretary to the Commanding Officer at Company C, which has just been liquidated, and she is now available for reassignment. She would still like to go to the Far East via the United States, but is willing to take some other assignment if her first choice cannot be obtained.

3. In view of the above, will you please give us information on the following:

a. Is it anticipated that girls will be sent to the Far East again in the reasonably near future? If so, what action should be taken for Miss Rigsbee to be included on the list for consideration?

b. In a recent cable Mr. Shepardson indicated that there was an assignment open for a female executive secretary in Lisbon. Can you give additional information about this position? How long would she be expected to remain overseas? For whom would she be working? Approximately how long would this position continue?

4. At the present time we seem to be confronted with transportation difficulties so far as returning unassigned civilians to the States is concerned. Conferences are currently being held

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on a high level to discuss the allocation of travel priorities but we do not know exactly what the outcome will be. If Miss Rigsbee were returned to the States in order to be rebriefed for an assignment in the Far East, this would probably make a substantial difference in her travel priority.

5. For the reasons indicated, we should like to have information on the above questions as soon as possible by cable, so that definite plans can be made for the reassignment of Miss Rigsbee.

  
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